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1. Violence continued at a fairly high level but there were no particularly new developments.
2. Herrera Dori6n (Weeka 48) was still news. This week he filed an official complaint against his kidnappers and six more arrest orders were issued including ones for MANO chief Raul Lorenzana and another national policeman. Fourteen suspects are already in jail.
3. There were also a number of shootings. The gang that has been operating on the south coast struck again killing at least one and, according to some reports, more. There were 4 other fatal shootings, which looked political, throughout the country. One mysterious case was the wounding of the chauffeur of Jose Luis BOCALETTI Ortiz, former manager of Social Security and currently Private Secretary of the Presidency. Bocaletti's car was found shot up on the road to San Salvador.
4. Other miscellaneous incidents included the locating of 3 more assassinated cadavers, 3 kidnappings of non-prominent persons from the capital and two bombings in the capital.
5. There were several developments on the psychological front. Minister of Government Mansilla Pinto announced that there were still hundreds of weapons in private hands that would have to be confiscated as part of the government's pacification program. He put most of the blame on the Castillo Armas regime but said recent smuggling was partly to blame. In

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another development IMPACTO published a story reporting that more than ten deputies to Congress who have been threatened by clandestine organizations do not consider it safe to return to their constituencies. Finally, the FAR issued a new bulletin in which they took credit for both the Recinos and Bonin killings but denied complicity in the publishing of the various black lists. According to the bulletin the FAR and the PGT are still united and César Montes is FAR "commandante máximo."

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LIST OF INCIDENTS

- Nov. 28 - Mother of mayor and justice of the peace of village near Antigua, Dept. Sacatepequez murdered Nov. 28, presumably out of vengeance for something, not clarified, the son might have done. Not known if political.
- 29 - Unidentified gang killed resident of village in Santa Rosa for unknown reasons.
- Nov. 30 - Tomas Escobar Sierra, owner of Finca La Blanca in Iztapa, machine-gunned to death by six men in passing car, in Escuintla, Nov. 30. Motive unknown. Killers escaped.
- Dec. 1 - Press reports that Jacobo Romeo Hernandez, kidnapped from home in Quirigua Izabal, on Oct. 22 for unknown reasons and is still missing.
- Dec. 2 - Isidro Lopez Garcia, official of Parcelamiento Nueva Concepcion, Dept. Escuintla, killed by sixty bandits terrorizing south coast. There reportedly have been six such killings since Nov. 26.
- Dec. 2 - Arrest orders issued for six suspected participants in Herrera Dori6n kidnapping, including MANO Chief Raul Lorenzana and another national policeman. Fourteen suspects already in jail.
- Dec. 2 - Bomb damaged office of advertising man, Roberto Giron Lemus in capital, Dec. 1. Assailants' motives unknown.
- Dec. 2 - Gang kidnaps man from La Florida (poor zone in capital). Freed near Palin 3 days later, after kidnappers discovered he could not produce money.
- Dec. 2 - Minister of Government Mansilla Pinto tells press that "hundreds of arms are in private hands," attributes them to previous regimes, primarily Castillo Armas, and also to recent smuggling. Must be collected, he says.
- Dec. 4 - IMPACTO reports that "more than 10" deputies threatened by clandestine organizations not returning to constituencies.
- Dec. 4 - Body shot and quartered found at Parcelamiento Santa Elena, Dept. Escuintla.
- Dec. 4 - Allegedly FAR bulletin sent to IMPARCIAL says FAR killed Jaime Recinos as well as Pierre Bonin, as part of "class struggle." Also claims FAR never publishes death lists, and that FAR still united with PGT and C6sar Montes is FAR "commandante m6ximo."

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- Dec. 6 - Bomb planted in home of Josefina Perez Castellanos in city, Dec. 5, fizzles. Motive unknown.
- Dec. 6 - Three men kidnap gas station attendant in city, Dec. 5, free him after taking money.
- Dec. 6 - Car of former Social Security chief and Private Secretary of the Presidency, Jose Luis Bocalletti Ortiz, found shot up on Salvador road, Dept. Guatemala; chauffeur hurt.
- Dec. 6 - Gang kidnaps David Cruz Lopez from barber shop in Zone 4. No political motive known.
- Dec. 6 - Body of Manuel Orellana found shot in La Quebrada de San Juan, Dept. Zacapa.

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